July 2004, to cover BPL families only and it is being implemented through four public sector general insurance companies. Further, the Government has 'Janashree Bima Yojana' implemented through LIC to cover life and accidents of BPL and marginally above BPL persons engaged in one of the 44 notified occupations.

(d) and (e) All the insurance companies, including those in private sector, are eligible to frame and promote micro insurance product ideally suited for BPL families in accordance with the regulations notified by IRDA.

Foreign aid to voluntary organisations

†614. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that voluntary organisations in various States of the country are receiving foreign funds as an aid from the foreign countries every year;

(b) if so, the funds received by various voluntary organisations in Madhya Pradesh as foreign aid during the financial year 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07; and

(c) the names alongwith the details of the funds received by voluntary organisations working in Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Voluntary Organisations (VOs) in India are permitted to receive foreign contribution under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976 from foreign sources after obtaining registration/prior permission under the said Act. The registration/prior permission is granted after due verification of activities and antecedents of office bearers of NGOs.

(b) and (c) The names and details of the foreign funds received by Voluntary Organisations working in Madhya Pradesh for the year 2004-05 are available of MHA's website-http://mha.nic.in/fcra.htm. The annual report for the financial year 2005-06 is under compilation and for the year 2006-07 would be submitted after end of the financial year. The annual returns are required to be submitted before 31st July of the following year.

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